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LORD BISHOP of

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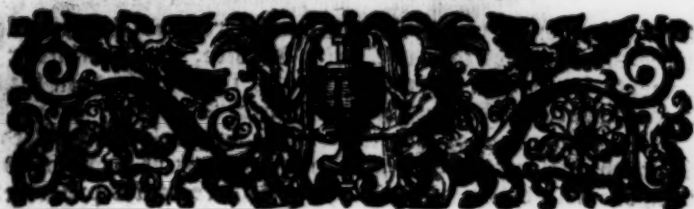
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*The Tenor of the Oath to be Administred to
the Church-wardens and Sidemen of every
Parish.*

You shall Swear to enquire with
your best diligence, and to make
a true answer unto every Article
in this Book now given you in
Charge, and to Present every Per-
son that now is, or of late was, inhabiting within
your Parish, that hath done any Offence, or
omitted any Duty, therein mentioned. And
this you shall do, as in the sight of God, up-
rightly and truly, without Favour or Malice,
Hope of Reward, or fear of Displeasure. So
help you God, &c.



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OF

VISITATION and ENQUIRY

Within the

DIOCESE of SALISBURY.

TITUL. I.

Concerning Publick Prayer, and Administration of the Sacraments.

I. **H**ATH any of your Parish spoken or declared any thing in derogation, or to the depraving of the Form of Gods Worship in the Church of England, and administration of the Sacraments, Rights and Ceremonies prescribed in the Book of Common Prayer, as it is now established by Law? Do any preach, speak, or declare, that it containeth any thing that is not agreeable to the Holy Scriptures?

2. HATH any in your Parish caused, procured, or maintained any Minister to say any Common, or Publick Prayer, or to administer either of the Sacraments of Baptism and the Lords Supper, or otherwise, or in any other manner or form then is mentioned in the said

Book of Common Prayer? Hath any interrupted, blundered, let or disturbed the Minister to read Divine Service, and administer the Sacraments in such manner and form as is mentioned in the said Book: or interrupted him in his Preaching or Sermons?

3. **IS** the Sacrament of Baptism rightly and duly administered according to the precept form expressed in the Book of Common Prayer, with the observation of all Rights and Ceremonies prescribed in the Administration of the same?

4. **IS** the Administration of the Sacrament of Baptism deferred longer then the next Sunday or Holy day immediately following the Birth of the Child?

5. **IS** the Sacrament of Baptism refused to be administered to any Childzen born in or out of wedlock, their birth being made known to the Minister of the Parish, and offered unto him to be baptized, or have any such Childzen died unbaptized?

6. **BE** the Parents of any Child to be baptized, admitted to be Godfathers and Godmothers to the same?

7. **HAVE** there been any Childzen baptized in private houses by any Lay person, or Widow, or Popish Priest?

8. **HAVE** there been any Childzen baptized in private houses by your Minister, or any other Minister, but upon urgent occasion when the Child was in danger of death?

9. **HAVE** the Childzen which have been born to any Popish recusants, or to any who refuse to be present at Common Prayer, been publicly baptized in your Parish Church, by your Parson, Vicar, or Curate? or by whom were they baptized, or where to your knowledge?

10. **HATH** the Blessed Sacrament of the Lords Supper been duly and reverently administered every month, or thrice every year at least, whereof once at Easter, within your Parish Church, to every Parish, over being of fifteen years of age, or upwards, desiring to receive the same, and being duly qualified thereunto?

11. **IS** the said Holy Sacrament delivered unto, or received by any of the Communicants within your Parish that do not devoutly and humbly kneel upon their knees?

12. **HAVE** any of your Parish which be openly known to live in notorious sin without repentance, or excommunicate persons, or Schismatics, without assigned sorrow shown for their impiety and wickedness, been admitted to be partaker of the said Holy Communion?

13. **HATH** any of your Parish been debarred from the said Holy Communion without just cause, and without intimation first given to the Ordinary or Bishop of the Diocese, and by whose fault?

TIT. II.

Concerning the Church, the Ornaments thereof, and the Churches Possessions.

1. **H**AVE you in your Church or Chappel the whole Bible of the largest volume, and of the last Translation, the Book of Common Prayer newly established and set forth, the two books of Homilies and Bishop Jewells Apology, all well and fairly bound; a Font of Stone set up in the usual ancient place, a convenient and decent Communion Table, with a Carpet of Silk, or some other decent Stuff continually laid upon the Table at time of Divine service, a safe linnen Cloath at the time of administering the Communion? and whether is the same Table placed conveniently as it ought? and whether is it so used in or out of time of Divine Service or Sermon, as is not agreeable to the holy use of it?

2. **H**AVE you in your said Church or Chappel, a convenient Seat for your Minister to read Divine Service in, together with a comely Pulpit set up in a convenient place, with a decent Cloath or Cushion for the same, a comely, large and fine Surplice, a fair Communion Cup, a Flagon of Silver or pewter, with all other things and ornaments necessary for the celebration of Divine Service, and administration of the Sacraments? and have you a Chest for Alms, with three locks and keys, and another Chest for keeping the Books and Ornaments of the Church, and the Register Book? have you a Register Book in Parchment of Christnings, Weddings and Burials? and is the same kept in all points according to the Canons? And is the Mothers Christen name therein registered as well as the Fathers, and a Transcript thereof brought in yearly, within one month after the five and twentieth of March, into the Lord Archbishops, or the Bishop of the Diocess Register? And have you a Table set up in your Church, of the degrees wherein by Law men are prohibited to marry?

3. **I**S your Church or Chappel with the Chancel thereof, and your Parsonage or Vicarage houses, your Parish Alms-house, and Church-house (if there be any Alms-house or church-house within your Parish) in good reparations, and are they employed to their right uses? Is any be ruined and wasted, in whom is the default? Is your Church, Chancel and Chappel decently and comely kept, as well within as without? and be the Seats well maintained, the Steeple and Bells preserved,

preserved, the Windows well glazed, the Floor kept paved plain and even, and all things in orderly and decent sort? And have any Patrons or others decayed the Parsonage Houses?

4. IS your Church-yard well fenced, and kept without abuse? is not whose default is it? hath any person encroached upon the ground of the Church-yard, or cut down any of the Trees growing therein? have any used a place consecrated to holy use, profanely or wickedly? have any quarrelled or stricken another in Church or Church-yard?

5. IS your Church full or vacant of an Incumbent? if vacant, who receiveth the fruits thereof, and who serveth the Cure, and by what authority? is it Parsonage, Vicarage, Donative or Appropriation?

6. WHAT Legacies have been given to the use and benefit of your Church, or of the Cathedral Church of Sarum? how have they been bestowed? who receiveth them, and detaineth them without due employment? Doth any detain or imbezil any of the Church-goods, or any other gifts given to charitable uses?

7. IS there any erecting of Pewes or innovating of Seats in your Church by any private man of his own authority: and what seats have been so built, and by whose procurement, and by what authority?

8. HATH any in your Parish defaced, or caused to be defaced any Monuments or Ornaments in your Church?

9. HATH any Popish Recusant being lawfully excommunicated, been interred or buried in your Church or Church-yard, before absolution of that Censure and Excommunication? if yea, then by whom and when?

10. BE not the Profits, Tithes, and other Commodities Ecclesiastical, impiously and wickedly to the dishonour of Almighty God, and prejudice of the sacred Ministry, converted to the use and benefit of covetous Patrons, and by them received and detained, and how long have they been so used to your knowledge?

11. WHETHER hath there been made any bargain and sale, exchange, or other alienation of the Glebe-lands, or Tythes of your Parsonage or Vicarage, being presentative, without the consent of the Ordinary and Patron? and if yea, specify the said Lands and Tythes so sold, exchanged or alienated, where it lay and lieth, and how it was and is abutted, together with the value of the same, and who made the same sale, exchange or alienation, and to whom was it made?

12. HAVE you the Terrier of all the Glebe-lands, Meadows, Gardens, Orchards, Houses, Stocks, Implements, Tenements, and portions of Tythes: as also a Note of all Pensioners and Rate Tythes (whether within your Parish or without) belonging to your Parsonage

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the Church of England, and to their bounden duties in obeying of the Lawes, and submitting to the Government thereof?

5. DOTH he neglect to visit the Sick, or delay the Baptism of any Infant that is in danger of death? Is there any Child past Infancy, or other person of more years, through your Ministers default, yet remaining unbaptized in your Parish? Doth he baptize without Godfathers and Godmothers?

6. HATH your Minister taken upon him to appoint any publick or private Fasts, Prophecyinges or Exercises not appointed by Authority? Doth he, or any other, either Minister or Lay person hold any Conventicles or Meetings in private houses within your Parish, for people of several Families to resort unto, under the pretence of Preaching, Praising, Thanksgiving or Humiliation, contrary to the Lawes and Canons in that case provided?

7. IS your Parson, Vicar, Curate or Lecturer, a man of a sober, unblameable and exemplary life? Doth he familiarly converse with ungodly, vicious and excommunicate persons? Is he a frequenter of Taverns and Alehouses? a Common Gamester? a prophane or obscene Jester? a Swearer, Railer, Scoffer, or Quarreller? Doth he set Neighbours at variance one with another, or encourage them to Suit or Contention? Is he noted to be an intemperate Drinker? or vehemently suspected of Incontinency with any person, either within your Parish or without? Doth he wear his hair of an immoderate or uncomely length? Is his Apparel grave and decent, both for fashion and colour, as the Canons of the Church require? Doth his Carriage and Conversation in any kind whatsoever, disorderly or scandalous, and unbecoming a Minister of Jesus Christ?

8. DOTH you Minister bid Holy-days and Fasting-days as is appointed? Doth he receive the holy Communion himself, on every day that he administred it to others, and useth he the words of Institution according to the book without alteration, at every time when the Bread and Wine is renewed? Doth he use and never omit the sign of the Cross in Baptism? or doth he ever baptize in any Basin, or other thing but the usual Font?

9. IS your Minister a Preacher licensed, or no? If no, Doth he take upon him in his own Cure or elsewhere, to expound any Scripture or matter of Doctrine, and doth not keep himself onely to the reading of Homilies published by Authority? If so, then you are to present the same, the time and place where he did it. And if he be licensed, doth he preach usually in his own Cure according to the 45 Canon, or in some other neighbour Church, where no Preacher is? Doth he or his Curate

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Curate upon every Sunday when there is no Sermon, read a Homily, or some part thereof, according as he ought to do?

10. DOTH your Minister publish in his Sermons any Doctrine which is new and strange, and disagreeing from the Word of God, and from the Articles of Christian Faith and Religion, agreed on and published, Anno Dom. 1562. or hath he at any time preached against the Rites and Ceremonies of the Church of England, or the lawfull use of them, or against the Government of this Church under his Majesty, by Archbishops, Bishops, and other Ecclesiastical Officers?

11. ARE any strange Ministers admitted to preach in your Church, who do not before the Churchwardens subscribe their names in your Book for that purpose, the day when he preached, and the name of the Bishop of whom he had license to preach: and is any one admitted to preach before he sheweth his License?

12. DOTH any Preacher in your Pulpit particularly impugn and confute any Doctrine delivered by others his fellow Preachers, before he hath acquainted the Bishop of the Diocels therewith, and received Order from him what to do in that case?

13. DOTH your Minister use to pray for the Kings Majesty, Clergy, Councel, &c. and doth he alwayes conclude his prayer with the Lords prayer, as in the Canon is required?

14. IS your Minister resident upon his Benefice or absent? if absent, by whom is the Cure served, the fruits received? Doth your Minister or Curate serve any more Cures then one? if yea, then what other cure doth he serve, and how farre are they distant?

15. DOTH your Minister carefully look to the relief of the poor, and from time to time call upon his Parishioners to give somewhat according to their ability, to godly and charitable uses, especially when they make their Wills?

16. IS your Minister suspected or known to have obtained his Benefice or Spiritual promotion by any Simoniackal compact directly or indirectly?

17. DOTH your Minister demise the profits of his Benefice to any Lay man above three year, and is not resident there, and keepeth no hospitality upon his Benefice, being of sufficient value?

18. DOTH your Minister in the Rogation daies go in perambulation of the circuit of the Parish, saying and using the Prayers, Suffrages and Thanksgiving to God, appointed by Law, according to his Duty, thanking God for his blessings, and praying for his grace and favour?

19. HATH your Minister or any other Preacher made any Ser-

mon, administred the Sacraments, or church'd Women in any private houses, otherwise then is by Law allowed?

20. WHAT Curates or Preachers do read Prayers, or administer the Sacraments in your Parish without lawfull license from the Bishop of the Diocese under his hand and seal, according to the Canon? or doth any Lay man, not having Holy Orders, presume, to read publick Prayers in the Church?

21. HAVE you any Preacher or Lecturer in your Parish? is he thereunto licensed by the Archbishop or Bishop of the Diocese under his Seal? did he since the nineteenth day of May last past (before his Sermon) openly, publicly and solemnly, read the Common Prayers and Service in, and by the said Book appointed to be read for that time of the day, and then and there publicly and openly declare his assent unto, and approbation of the said Book, and to the use of all the Prayers, Rites and Ceremonies, Forms and Orders therein contained and prescribed, according to the late Act of Uniformity?

22. DOTH your Minister every Six Months denounce in his Parish all such of his Parish as do persevere in the sentence of Excommunication, not seeking to be absolved? hath he received any excommunicate person into the Church without Certificate from the Ordinary? Who are encouragers and keepers of company with such as remain excommunicate? be any dying excommunicate buried in Christian burial?

TIT. IV.

Concerning Marriage.

1. **A**RE there any living in your Parish who have been unlawfully married, contrary to the Lawes of God? Or any that being lawfully divorced, have married again? Or any that being lawfully married, and not separated or divorced by course of Law, do not cohabit together?

2. HAVE any been married secretly in private houses, or without their parents or Governours consent signified, being under the age of 21 years?

3. HAVE any persons (the Banns being not thrice published in the Church) been married without Licence? who were present at such marriages, and what Minister married them?

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4. HAVE any persons by license, or without, been married in your Parish Church, neither of them at that time dwelling in your Town?
5. WHAT Popish Recusants or Sectaries, or their Children have been married in your Parish, in what sort was that Patrimony solemnised, when, and by whom?

TIT. V.

Concerning Church-wardens.

1. **B**E the Churchwardens chosen by the Minister and Parishioners, according to the 89 Canon? Hath any taken upon him to be Churchwarden, being not so chosen, or hath any continued above one year in his office without a new choice?
2. HATH any Churchwarden retained any of the Church goods, and not made a just account of what they have received and expended?
3. HAVE they been, and are they diligent in their office, to see decency kept in the Church, and order in the time of Common-Prayer and administration of the Sacraments: and that there be no disturbance, but soberness and quietness in the Church? And do the Churchwardens keep a Book in your Parish, wherein every strange Preacher in your Parish is to set down his name, and the name of the Bishop that licensed him to preach? And have the Churchwardens suffered any to preach, not shewing or having no license?
4. DO you the Churchwardens and Side-men take diligent care, and see who of your Parishioners be absent from Divine Service and Sermon in your Church or Chappel, upon Sundays and Holy-days? And if you find any to have absented themselves without a sufficient cause, do you by warrant from some of the Justices of Peace, levy of them by way of distress upon their goods, the summe of 12 pence for every such day of their absence, according to the Act of Parliament in that case provided? And do you distribute the several summes so levied among the poor of your Parish according to Law?

TIT. VI.

Concerning the Parishioners.

1. **D**O any in your Parish profane the Sunday by unlawfull games, drinking or tippling in the time of Common-Prayer, or Sermon?

2. IS there any in your Parish that doth impugn, or speak against the Rites and Ceremonies of the Church of England, or the lawfull use of them, and government of this Church under his Majesty, by Archbishops, and other Ecclesiastical Officers?

3. WHO in your Parish do come to the Sermon onely, and not to Divine Service? and who do not reverently behabe themselves during the time of Divine Service, devoutly kneeling when the general Confession of Sins, the Letany, the Ten Commandments, and all Prayers and Collects are read? or who do cover their heads in the Church, during the whole time of Divine Service, unless it be in case of necessity? or who do give themselves to babling, talking or walking, and are not attentive to hear the Word read and preached?

4. ARE there any in your Parish, having a Preacher to their Minister, that do absent themselves from his Sermons, and resort to other places to hear other Preachers? or do any in your Parish communicate or baptize their Children in any other Parish?

5. IS there any in your Parish that refuse to have their Children baptized, or themselves to receive the Communion of the Minister, taking exception against him? or have you any Wives that refuse to come to Church, according to the Book of Common Prayer, to give thanks to God for their safe deliverance, in a decent habit, as hath been anciently accustomed?

6. HATH any in your Parish spoken slanderous and reproachfull words against your Minister, to the scandal of his vocation, or against their marriage or wives, or against his neighbours, defaming them touching any crime of Ecclesiastical cognizance?

7. DO any in your Parish exercise any trade or labour, buy or sell, or keep open any Shops, or set out any Wares to be sold upon Sundays and Holy dayes, by themselves, their Servants or Apprentices; or have otherwise profaned the said Dayes?

8. ARE the Fifth of November, the Nine and Twentieth of May, and the Thirtieth of January, observed and kept holy, according to the Order set forth in that behalf?

9. ARE there any in your Parish that be or are commonly known or reputed to be blasphemers of Gods holy Name, Drunkards, Adulterers, Fornicators, Incestuous persons, concealours or harborers of Fornicators or Adulterers? have any been detected of any such notorious crimes? and what penance have they done for the same?

10. WHAT corporal punishment for any such Offences have been commuted and exchanged into a pecuniary mulct or summe of money by any Ecclesiastical Judge, exercising jurisdiction within this Diocese.

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by vertue of any grant or Commission? or what was the summe of money by them, or any of them so received and taken, and, to what uses was the same bestowed? or upon such Commutations was the unfained repentance of the delinquents published in the Church?

11. ARE there any belonging to your Parish, who refuse to pay their duty for Easter Offerings to your Minister? or any that refuse to contribute and pay the rate assessed upon them, for the repair of your Church or Chappel? and for providing of such Books, Furniture and Ornaments, as be requisite for the performance of all divine Offices there?

12. DO you know or have heard of any Patron, or other person in your Parish, having the presentation or gift of any Ecclesiastical Benefice, who hath made gain thereof by presenting a Clerk or Minister to it upon any bargain, either for money, or pension, or lease, reserve of Tythes or Glebe, or any part thereof, or upon other Simoniackal compact whatsoever?

13. HAVE any in your Parish administered the goods of any person deceased, without lawfull Authority, and before he or they have proved the Will and Testament of the partie deceased, or have obtained Commission from the Ordinarie, to dispose the said moveable goods? Or are there any Wills unproved, or goods not administered?

14. DO any refuse to bury their Dead according to the Rites of the Church of England? Have there been within your severall Parishes since the second day of July, 1662. any Wills proved, or Administrations granted by the Arch-deacon or his Official, or any known incontinent persons, or any suspected of that vice, or any other offenders whatsoever against the Ecclesiastical Affairs, having not before the said Second day of July, been duly presented by their Churchwardens for the same, being called or cited by the Arch-deacon, or his Official? If yea, then you must present their names and their offences now at this Visitation, for that since the said Second day of July, the Archdeacons authority was restrained and suspended by inhibition, and all Jurisdiction Ecclesiastical hath ever since been in the Lord Bishop?

15. WHAT persons be Excommunicate within your Parish, and for what cause to your knowledg? Do any of them repair to the Church in the time of Prayer unabsolved?

16. WHAT Recusant Papists or Sectaries are there in your Parish? Do they, or any of them keep any School-master in their house, which cometh not to Church to hear Divine Service, and receive the Holy Communion? What is his name, and how long hath he taught?

TIT. VII.

Concerning School-Masters, Physitians, Chirurgians and Parish-Clerks.

1. **I**S there any School-master in your Parish, that teacheth publicly or privately, not licensed by the Ordinarie or Bishop of the Diocese? Doth he teach any Papists or Sedaries Children that come not to Church? Doth he instruct all his Scholars to learn the shorter Catechism by Law established, contained in the Book of Common Prayer? Is he a Graduate, and sufficient to teach?

2. **W**HAT Physitian or Chirurgian is in your Parish unlicensed, and being not a Doctor of Physick in either of the Universities, doth practise Physick? And what ignorant persons have left their Trade, and taken upon them to professe Physick or Chirurgerie? and who be they that so abuse the people?

3. **H**AVE you a fit Parish-Clerk, aged twentie years at least, of honest life, able to read and write? Are his and the Sextons wages paid without fraud? If not, then whose default is it? By whom is he chosen? Is he diligent in his Office? Doth he keep the Church clean the dooers locked? Is he serviceable to the Minister? Doth he meddle with any thing above his Office? Is any thing lost or spoiled by his default? and doth he execute his Office duly?

TIT. VIII.

Concerning Ecclesiastical Officers.

1. **B**E there any Ecclesiastical Officers that exercise Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction within this Diocese, that take and receive, or exact any extraordinary Fees for any cause? Have abuses or offences punishable in the Ecclesiastical Court been presented by Churchwarden and Quest-men? Are such offences, being presented, suppressed and punished?

2. **I**S there not a Table of Fees in every Court of the Bishop, Archdeacons and Commissaries, allowed and subscribed by the Judge and Register

Register of the Court of Consistory, Anno Domini 1597. and the same hung up in some publick place of the Court and Registerie?

3. DO TH any Ecclesiastical Judge speed any Aa in any cause privately of himselfe, and not in the presence of some publick Notary or Actuary?

4. IS there any excessive number of Apparitors and Sumners in this Diocese? Have any of them under pretence of Authority, cited or summoned any person unlawfully, or hath taken any reward for the concealing of any offence or sin, or the avoiding of the punishment of the Offenders? and who be they that have done so? Or do they take any fees not accustomed? Have they threatened any to prosecute them if they have no reward? and do they summon any without a Citation first had?

5. HATH any Ecclesiastical Judge or Officer, Advocate, Register, Proctor, Clerks or other such Ministers, any way offended in their Offices, contrary to the Law and Canons in that behalfe provided?

6. Lastly, Have you any ebery of you sincerely, uprightly, and without any partial affection and concealing, presented and made knowne, all and ebery the Offenders in any of the matters mentioned in the precedent Articles exhibited unto you, either as they are taken in truth to be, or by common fame reported?

If you know of any other default or crime of Ecclesiastical cognisance, you are to present the same.

THe Minister of every Parish may joyne in Presentment with the Churchwardens and Sidemen; and if they will not present, then the Ministers themselves (being the persons that should have the chief care for the suppressing of sin and impiety in their Parishes) may present the Crimes aforesaid, and such things as shall be thought to require due Reformation, *Canon 113.*

There must be several Presentments made to every several Article.

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